

DETAILS OF THE EXECUTION OF ADMINISTRATION
IN THE SOUTHERN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES.

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Decisions by the liaison conference between the Imperial Headquarters and the Government of Japan on November 20.

1. General Policy.

For occupied areas a military administration is to be temporarily enforced for the purpose of restoring public peace and order, for the immediate acquisition of resources vital for our national defense, and for maintaining the self-sufficiency of our operational forces.

The final reversion of the territories we have occupied and their future disposal are to be decided later.

2. Details

1. In the execution of military administration, such administrative organs as still exist will be made as much use of as possible and all obtaining social and racial customs will be respected.

2. As far as operations allow, our Occupation Forces will take measures to obtain all resources vital for our national defense and to expedite their development.

Resources vital for our national defense which are developed or obtained in the occupied areas will form an integral part of the Materials-Mobilization Plan of the Central Executive and everything needed by our operational forces for local self-sufficiency will, as a rule, be assigned to them locally in accordance with the Executive's distribution plans.

3. The transportation of resources to Japan will be assisted in every way possible by the Navy and Army alike, who will do their best to make full use of the ships they have requisitioned.

4. The Occupation Forces will keep control of railways, shipping, harbours, aviation, communications and the post.

5. The Occupation Forces will control trade and exchange and in particular will prevent any leakage to the enemy of resources of special importance, such as petroleum oil, rubber, tin, tungsten, quinine, etc.

6. Existing local currencies will, as a rule, be utilized and circulated as far as possible, but in unavoidable cases military notes of foreign denomination will be used.

7. Natives will have to reconcile themselves to such pressure as is unavoidably involved for them in our acquisition of resources vital for our national defense and the local self-sufficiency of our Occupation Forces. Demands for their pacification will not be tolerated if they militate against these objectives.

8. American, British and Dutch nationals will be directed to cooperate with our military administration. For the recalcitrant, deportation or other appropriate measures will be devised. The existing rights and interests of the Axis Powers will be respected but any future extension of them will be restricted as far as possible.

Chinese emigrants will be made to renounce allegiance to the Chiang Government and to sympathize and cooperate with our measures.

Native inhabitants will be directed so as to promote their feelings of dependence on the Imperial Army. We must avoid giving rise to any premature independence movement.

9. Japanese will be strictly examined as to their fitness, before they can make their first trip into ~~enemy~~ *the occupied* land after the start of operations; preferential consideration will be given to the return journeys of those who were once resident in these areas, but who have returned to Japan.

10. The following measures are to be taken in connection with the execution of military administration:

- (a) All important matters concerning our local military administration shall be decided by means of liaison conferences between the Imperial Headquarters and the Government. Local troops will be notified of decisions of the Central Executive by the Navy and Army respectively.

- (b) Schemes and regulations for the acquisition and development of resources will for the present be made by the Central Executive organization, under the leadership of the Planning Board. The latter's decisions shall be carried out in accordance with (a).

- (c) In the case of F.I.C. and ^{Thailand}~~Siam~~, our pre-arranged policies will be adhered to and no military administration will be enforced. Measures will be decided later in the event of any sudden change in their status.

Notes:--

1. The military administration machinery will be gradually amalgamated, readjusted or taken over by the new organization which the Government will set up, depending on the progress of the Imperial policies toward the Occupied Territories.

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